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Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 17, 1916.
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some goods for doll dresses, and a ball and jumping jack. I wish a pair of shoes for my doll, a little stove for my doll, and I want a table and some little glasses, a box of paints, and painting book. I am 7 years old. Your friend, Eva Widaman.

Examine Buckner's Xmas Line.

Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.
Dear Old Santa: I have been a good little girl and want you to please bring me anything that is real nice for a little girl seven years old. Do not forget my teacher, Miss Anna Miller. Your little friend, Gertrude Ollie McManamy.

Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.
Dear Santa: I have worked hard at school this year, and for Christmas, I would like to have a soldier suit, and a toy sword. Please don't forget my papa and mamma. Your little friend, Cedric Carnes.

Buckner leads them all in Perfumes and Toilet Waters.

Ladonia, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl five years old, and I want you to please bring me a picture-book, some hair ribbon and a doll head, and some bananas, oranges, candy and nuts. Please don't forget mamma and papa. Your little friend, Christina Worsham.

Dec. 11, Mexico, Mo., Dear Santa: My sister Althea wants a doll, nuts, mixed candy, oranges and gum. Eddie wants a harp and Mary wishes a pair of beads. Dorothy is not asking for anything. Elmer wants a bicycle light and I—why, I want a bicycle horn and we all want goodies like Althea asks for. Remember Miss Sullivan, my teacher. Aunt Mary wants a hobby-horse and Uncle Henry a chatter-box. They'll get them, I am sure. Your loving friend, Harold Erdel.

Dec. 11, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I am six years old and live in Beaver Dam District. I went to school every day till whooping cough got me. I wish candy, nuts, oranges, a doll buggy. Remember our family, Grandma Reishley, Grandma Williamson, my teacher and my classmates. Your friend, Jewell Williamson.

Everything in Ivory at Buckner's. Xmas Candles at Buckner's.

Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 16, 1916.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old. I live six miles from Ladonia and four from Rush Hill. I want a story book, a ribbon and ribbon bow; I want some nuts, candy and oranges. I don't want much for I got one nice Christmas present from mamma. I got a nice piano this week. I hope you won't forget my brother Layton. He wants a fiddle, a real cranking car, a toy train and some dominoes. That will be all for this year. Beulah L. Erdel.

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Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old. For Christmas I want a knife, a gun and that little log wagon at Doolin's store. Don't forget my little brother, H. W. Your little friend, Charles Casper Stuart.

Mexico, Mo., Dec. 20, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old. I am going to Hazel School. I am going to write you to tell you what I want you to bring me. I want a box of handkerchiefs, a storybook, a bicycle rider, a little stove and some candy, nuts and oranges. So this is all. Don't forget mamma and papa and sister Mabel and sister Margaret and brother Tony. Etta Erdel.

Mexico, Mo., Dec. 20, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl five years old. I am not going to school yet, but I will go next year. Please bring me a horn, a box of handkerchiefs, a ball, a top, a little sandbuck, a spade with pictures on it and some oranges, candy, and nuts. That will be all for this time. But don't forget mamma and papa and sister Mabel and sister Etta and brother Tony. Margaret Erdel.

Molino, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.—Dear Santa Claus: I am ten years old. I wish my mother all I can. I go to Fisher school. Santa Claus will you please bring me some Friendship links and a ring with a set on it, and two rubber balls and a pair of side combs and a hair ribbon, two spoons of crocheted cotton and a new school dress. If you please. Please don't forget my papa and mamma; all my cousins, Carrie, Dea and Elbert Payton, and all my friends. Your little friend, Ella Baker.

Molino, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.—Dear Santa Claus: I am seven years old and my brother is four years old. Please bring me a storybook, a set of dishes, and please bring my brother a hobby horse and a set of little tools, and bring some candy and nuts and oranges. Your little friends, Mary Opal and William Martin.

P. S.—Please don't forget papa and mamma and grandma and grandpa and my sister Ruby.

Buckner, agent for Johnson, Nunnally & Whitman Candies.

Ladonia, Mo., Dec. 18, 1916.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old. I go to school almost every day and I am in the fourth grade, so please bring me a story book, and some hair ribbon and a sewing box and candy, nuts and oranges and bananas. Please don't forget my teacher, Miss Blanche Sipple, and mamma and papa. Your little friend, Ruth Worsham.

Box Cigars from 50c to \$4.50 a box at Buckner's.

Mexico, Mo., Dec. 15, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. I'll be four years old in March. I want you to bring me a doll buggy and a doll, a little stove and a little skillet, too. I live near Molino, with my parents, John and Alma Heizer; I'll tell you so you can find me. Good-bye. Your friend, Fern Heizer.

Rush Hill, Mo., Dec. 17, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I hope you will be able to come around this way. I want you to bring me some goods for doll dresses, a yard of blue and one yard of pink baby ribbon, a pair of kid gloves, a set of glass dishes and a nice Christmas tree, some English walnuts, some chocolate candy and some fudge candy. Don't forget the tree. Your little friend, Estella Widaman.

Fancy Perfumes at 25c to \$5.00 at Buckner's.

HEDGE DALE NEWS.
These are letters written by the first four grades. They are copied exactly as the children wrote them themselves.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. Please bring me a little dresser, storybooks, box of handkerchiefs, a pencil box, and candy and nuts. Don't forget my little brother Calhoun, who wants a rocking horse. With love, Florine Barkley.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a doll, doll bed, writing desk, and candy. Don't forget my little brothers. Merry Christmas to you. Frances Skelly.

Dear Old Santa Claus: Please bring me an organ, doll, ring, handkerchiefs and candy. Sister Anna Lee wants a doll cart. Best wishes. Effie Sims.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, handkerchiefs and candy. With love, Marie Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas I want a "Flying Arrow," coasting sled, box of paints, pencil box and candy. Yours truly, John Henry Cable Snook.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a gun, a top, new horn, water pistol, pair of ice skates, sled and candy. I am a little boy and do not want to take

everything from the others. Ernest Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old. Please bring me a rubber ball, a watch chain, paper caps, carpenter box, Our Best Color Box, candy, nuts and oranges. Do not forget my little brother and sister, and my teacher, Miss Ruth. Merry Christmas to you. Wallace Witche.

HEDGE DALE LETTER.

The school will have a short Christmas program and tree Friday afternoon.

Leroy Snook spent Thursday night with Edmond Witche.

Henry Beckman butchered Thursday.

The Kircher family is entertaining the measles.

Merwyn Fisher finished shucking corn last week.

J. R. Snook took two wagon loads of wheat and oats to Mexico Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barclay spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Witche.

Miss Florene Barkley spent the week-end in Mexico with her aunt, Miss Sallie Calhoun.

Mr. Bethel, Mr. Robert James and Mr. Fisher dug for coal on Mr. Fisher's place.

J. R. Snook took a load of 800 bushels of oats and wheat to market last week.

George Downs and family spent Sunday with Henry Holterman in Rush Hill.

Mr. Neal and son spent Sunday with Harry Carnes and wife in Rush Hill.

The Christian Church people will have a rabbit hunt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Erdel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Witche.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Snook spent Sunday with Pete Erdel and family.

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Miss Frances Wakefield is home from Howard Payne College at Fayette for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete A. Erdel made The Message a pleasant business call this week.

MOLINO ITEMS

Molino, Mo., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Joe Plybon and son, Harold, are visiting relatives in Kentucky.

Harry Heizer has moved into his new house in Molino.

Mr. and Mrs. James Camplin of Santa Fe and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blum of Mexico were Sunday guests of John Heizer and family.

Clyde Marshall and family of Mexico spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marshall.

R. S. Montgomery and family of Mexico spent Sunday with Lon Heizer and family.

Mrs. Will Hendrix and Miss Edna Cauthorn were guests of Mrs. Andrew Cauthorn Sunday.

W. W. Mundy, who had been here since Friday, returned to Vernon county Monday.

Dr. P. P. Wood of St. Louis was a Molino visitor Sunday.

The Molino rabbit hunt last Thursday resulted in 1,520 rabbits being killed, which were sold at ten cents each, the proceeds to be used for an oyster and ice cream supper some time during Christmas week. C. L. Weaver was the champion of the day, killing 97 rabbits; Will Heizer was second, killing 70.

WANT ITEMS.

FOR RENT—House and Barn, two lots, south of Hardin College. Apply to S. J. Buckner at bank.

Wanted: To buy pair of old 'and-irons. Inquire at Message office.

NOTICE OF WARNING.

Parties are hereby warned that if apprehended shooting at insulators of Rush Hill Tel. Co. they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Val Erdel, Jr., Pres. Tel. Co.

Mrs. Wm. Hesterburg remains quite ill. Miss Amelia Knoeble will entertain her pupils Friday afternoon with a Christmas tree.

C. C. Lucas was over from Santa this week. He has been a Message subscriber for 17 years. C. C. is all right.

C. D. Wilson is a new Message reader.

J. W. Kemp gets ahead for The Message another year.



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